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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Office action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on July 22, 2004 be extended for three months, to and including January 24, 2005, since January 22nd falls on a Saturday.

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